HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 178 By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION To honor the memory of Dr. Edwin Ross Norris of Sevierville.

WHEREAS, The members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Dr. Edwin Ross Norris; and

WHEREAS, The son of Blanche Norris and the late Haskell Norris, Dr. Norris was an exemplary citizen and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, A 1967 graduate of Kansas City Osteopathic Medical School, Dr. Norris served with acumen and alacrity for twenty years as a certified Family Medicine Practitioner, in which he earned the respect of his colleagues and patients alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Following his years in family medicine, Dr. Norris became an accomplished hair transplant specialist and practiced his craft in five states over a period of fourteen years; and

WHEREAS, A respected leader in the medical field, Dr. Norris served as Johnson County Medical Examiner, Coroner, Flight Medical Examiner, and Chief of Staff of Johnson

County Hospital; he also served in the United States Air Force as a Flight Surgeon, aiding the defense of our Nation and liberty itself; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian, Dr. Norris was an active member of the Little Doe Baptist Church, where he was an inspiration to many; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Norris was also deeply devoted to his family and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; he enjoyed the loving companionship of Wanda Wolfe Norris for forty-one years and was the proud father of Kimery Overman and the loving grandfather of Trevor Ross; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Norris leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Dr. Edwin Ross Norris, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Dr. Norris.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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